

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

USA,

Plaintiff(s),

v.

WAYLAN GRAVES,

Defendant(s).

CASE NO.
3:23-cr-05287-DGE

BRADY DISCLOSURE ORDER

Under federal law, including Rule 5(f) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, *Brady v. Maryland*, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), and all applicable decisions from the Supreme Court and the Ninth Circuit interpreting *Brady*, the government has a continuing obligation to produce all information or evidence known to the government relating to guilt or punishment that might reasonably be considered favorable to the defendant's case, even if the evidence is not admissible so long as it is reasonably likely to lead to admissible evidence. *See United States v. Price*, 566 F.3d 900, 913 n.14 (9th Cir. 2009). Accordingly, the court orders the government to produce to the defendant in a timely matter all such information or evidence.

Information or evidence may be favorable to a defendant's case if it either may help bolster the defendant's case or impeach a prosecutor's witness or other government evidence. If doubt exists, it should be resolved in favor of the defendant with full disclosure being made.

If the government believes that a required disclosure would compromise witness

1 safety, victim rights, national security, a sensitive law–enforcement technique, or any
2 other substantial government interest, the government may apply to the Court for a
3 modification of the requirements of this Disclosure Order, which may include *in camera*
4 review and/or withholding or subjecting to a protective order all or part of the
5 information.

6 This Disclosure Order is entered under Rule 5(f) and does not relieve any party in
7 this matter of any other discovery obligation. The consequences for violating either this
8 Disclosure Order or the government's obligations under *Brady* include, but are not
9 limited to, the following: contempt, sanction, referral to a disciplinary authority, adverse
10 jury instruction, exclusion of evidence, and dismissal of charges. Nothing in this
11 Disclosure Order enlarges or diminishes the government's obligation to disclose
12 information and evidence to a defendant under *Brady*, as interpreted and applied
13 under Supreme Court and Ninth Circuit precedent. As the Supreme Court noted, "the
14 government violates the Constitution's Due Process Clause 'if it withholds evidence that
15 is favorable to the defense and material to the defendant's guilt or punishment.'"
16 *Turner v. United States*, 137 S. Ct. 1885, 1888 (2017), quoting *Smith v. Cain*, 565 U.S.
17 73, 75 (2012).

18 DATED: The 12th of October 2023

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23 United States Magistrate Judge
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